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A HANDBOOK OF BANKRUPTCY LAW. Embodying the full text of the Act of Congress of 1898, and annotated with references to pertinent decisions under former statutes. By H. Campbell Black, author of Black's Law Dictionary, etc. St. Paul, Minn.: West Publishing Co. 1898. 328 pp.

The National Bankruptcy Act was approved July 1, 1898, and this volume was in our hands within ten days thereafter. This is an example of enterprise which even the enterprising West Publishing Co. probably never equalled before.

The volume is arranged after the plan of the well known Hornbook Series. The chapter divisions follow those of the act itself. In each chapter the full text of the corresponding chapter of the act is presented in heavy type, followed by the editorial matter in ordinary type. There are appropriate subdivisions, with italicized headlines, making the contents of the volume readily accessible. The author seems to have been characteristically energetic in his search for authorities, and has successfully digested them for the use of the busy practitioner. About 1500 cases are cited. The index is especially minute and complete.

Mr. Black has done his work well, and his book ought to find a cordial reception at the hands of lawyers and judges. Younger lawyers, who have come to the bar since the repeal of the former bankrupt law, and who have had, therefore, little or no experience with bankruptcy law and procedure, will find the volume a most convenient handbook in their studies of the subject.

WAR REVENUE LAW OF 1898. With revised index, marginal and foot-notes. Washington Law Book Company. Washington, D. C. 1898. Paper cover—32 pp.

This pamphlet will meet the need of lawyers for an authentic copy of the War Revenue Law, in convenient form for ready reference. Lawyers must needs know what instruments are subject to the stamp tax and the amount of the tax. The pamphlet contains a superb index of the act, so that one may find at a moment's search any desired provision. The annotations and index were prepared at the office of the Attorney-General, a fact which should commend the publication to the confidence of the profession.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY LAW OF 1898. Uniform system. With marginal notes and index. Published by Washington Law Book Company. Washington: Government Printing Office. 1898. Paper covers—80 pp. 50 cents.

This is an official copy of the National Bankruptcy Law, published at the Government Printing Office, with marginal catch-words for purposes of rapid search. These marginal notations, with the excellent index accompanying, are the work of the Attorney-General's office. Lawyers will find the pamphlet a useful addition to their stock of bankruptcy literature.